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### Arab Foreign Ministers Conference

The meeting of Arab foreign ministers in Casablanca was characterized by an atmosphere of "fraternity and positive dialogue," Moroccan Foreign Affairs, Cooperation, and Information Minister Abdellatif Filali stated in remarks reported by Rabat radio. Filali, who chaired the 3-hour session, said the ministers agreed unanimously on the two items on the agenda of the forthcoming Arab summit conference, "including the Palestine problem in the light of the Fes plan." The ministers also raised a number of other issues for consideration at the summit, notably the formation of a committee to clarify the Arab atmosphere; the Iran-Iraq war; and the situation between Ethiopia and Somalia. In a related report, WAKH said the ministers criticized Somalia for allowing the "Bright Star" maneuvers to be held on its territory, adding that the Somali foreign minister defended his country by asserting that it is participating in the exercises as a result of the "threats" to which it is being subjected. Libya, which attended the ministerial meeting despite its previously reported conditions for attending the summit, urged the Arab countries to submit a protest to Egypt over the "Bright Star" maneuvers on the latter's territory, according to "reliable sources" cited by the agency. Reporting the Libyan Foreign Liaison Bureau delegation's arrival in Casablanca, JANA noted that a Libyan official stressed the Jamahiriyah's desire to develop the Libyan-Moroccan union agreement.

As for the summit conference, a Saudi Royal Court statement carried by SPA disclosed that the Saudi delegation will be headed not by King Fahd but by Crown Prince 'Abdallah, the deputy prime minister and National Guard commander. Meanwhile, Tehran radio broadcast an Iranian Foreign Ministry statement that denounced the emergency summit as a "flagrant betrayal" of the Palestinian cause, contending that the meeting is an attempt to legitimize Jordanian King Husayn's "traitorous" efforts to secure a negotiated peace, bring Egypt back into the Arab fold, and breathe fresh life into the "decaying edifice" of Iraqi President Saddam Husayn's regime. For Egypt's part, a Cairo radio commentary on the summit maintained that the way to end Arab differences over the Palestinian problem, the Gulf War, and Lebanon, is to "rebuild Arab solidarity around Egypt."

### Lebanon

*Military Developments* — Two IDF NCO's were killed and two other Israeli soldiers were injured in a 5 August clash with a "terrorist squad" in southern Lebanon, the IDF spokesman announced in a statement cited by Jerusalem radio. Three terrorists were killed in the exchange of fire, the spokesman added.

*Phalangist Views* — Responding to recent remarks by Progressive Socialist Party leader Walid Junblatt, Phalangist Party leader Elie Karamah stated that Junblatt should be immediately dismissed from the government and brought to trial, Voice of Lebanon radio reported. As for recent efforts to unify Christian ranks, Karamah told his colleagues in the Phalangist leadership that Christian unity cannot be achieved without rallying around and supporting President Amin al-Jumayyil.

### Syria

Baghdad Voice of PLO radio reported that Syrian authorities have imposed a total blackout on results of investigations of two explosions in Damascus 31 July, including a bombing near the SANA building. However, the Kuwaiti paper *AL-RA'Y AL-'AMM* reported that the Syrian Embassy in Kuwait denied any explosions took place in Syria 31 July.

### Egypt

A Foreign Affairs Ministry statement condemned recent "repressive" measures taken by Israel against inhabitants of the occupied Arab territories, MENA reported, while the Israeli paper *DAVAR* reported that Egypt officially requested that Israel reopen Al-Najah University in Nabulus soon as a "goodwill gesture to promote the peace process."

### Kuwait

*Relations With Iran* — Kuwait expelled another 249 Iranian workers over the past several days, IRNA reported, adding that during the past Iranian month which ended 22 July, 768 Iranians were deported from Kuwait.

Meanwhile, Kuwaiti Prime Minister Shaykh Sa'd al-'Abdallah said he will dismiss any suggestions of relaxing recently introduced internal security measures, KUNA reported, and he stressed that no group will be excluded. He defended the decision to deport hundreds of people following the assassination attempt on the amir and the explosions at two cafes last month, claiming that their continued presence "could be harmful to the country."

*Naval Exercises* — Kuwaiti naval forces started 2-day live ammunition exercises, KUNA reported. The Defense Ministry has warned civilians to stay away from the area during the maneuvers.

### Iran

An attempt by two hijackers to commandeer an Iranian plane flying from Tehran to Bandar 'Abbas was foiled by security guards on board the aircraft, IRNA reported, adding that one hijacker was shot dead and the other was arrested.

In another development, Tehran radio reported that Foreign Affairs Minister 'Ali Akbar Velayati stressed Iranian-Palestinian solidarity at a meeting with members of the visiting Palestine National Salvation Front delegation. He said Iran is dutybound to defend the Palestinian revolution "with all its might."

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**Kabul Reports 'Time Bombs' Defused in Herat Mosque**
*LD052058 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] The counterrevolutionaries, by planting three time bombs in the court of Herat city's Jam'i Mosque have once again proved their hostility towards the sacred religion of Islam and the Muslims of our country. A source of Herat Province's security force told a BAKHTAR correspondent that the bombs were discovered and defused the day before yesterday. The source added that two of the bombs were made in the United States and one in Italy. They had been planted by the servants of reaction and imperialism in the Jam'i Mosque of Herat city, which is one of the most beautiful and historic mosques in the region.

The source further added that when Herat citizens learned of this shameful act by the savage rebels — these enemies of God, the Prophet and the toiling Muslims of our country — they expressed their profound hatred and indignation against the counterrevolutionary bands and their reactionary imperialist masters and appreciated the vigilance of Sarandoy forces in discovering the bombs and preventing the destruction of the mosque.

**Kabul Reports on Internecine Clashes Among Rebels**
*LD051751 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1530 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Reports reaching the BAKHTAR Information Agency say that as a result of clashes which took place between the murderous Jami'at-e Eslami and Harakat-e Enqelabi bands in Jorm District, Badakhshan Province, on the distribution of property plundered from our toiling compatriots, eight persons were killed and six wounded from both sides. As a result of clashes between two groups of the Eslami band in Laghman Province five of the criminals were killed and three were wounded.

A BAKHTAR correspondent, citing a source of the country's security forces, reports that as a result of successful operations carried out in Qal'eh-ye Shah Bid, Chehel Dokhtaran and Shatut regions of Chahar Asiab District and Karizak region of Paghman District, several counterrevolutionary elements were crushed, seven captured and seven wounded. The country's security forces have seized a quantity of weapons from these criminals.

According to another report, as a result of operations carried out today in the environs of Ghazni Province seven counterrevolutionary elements were crushed and seven more were wounded.

Another report says that as a result of successful operations in (Siaoshan) region of Herat Province, several counterrevolutionary elements were crushed and others were wounded. A quantity of assorted weapons was seized from the criminals.

**BAKHTAR Cites Former Rebel on 'Propaganda'**
*LD060642 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0454 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[Text] Kabul, August 5, BAKHTAR — The Afghan counterrevolutionary elements in collusion with Pakistan and Iran led by the US imperialism, Chinese hegemonism and other reactionary countries have unleashed poisonous propaganda against the DRA. As a result of such misleading propaganda, the deceived Afghans have abandoned their homeland. This was said by 'Abdol Qadir, a former commander of a 200-person team of "Harakat Band", who with his armed group have come to the side of the DRA.

He added that the notorious band of Harakat, like other counterrevolutionary bands stationed in Pakistan, trade over the funds allocated by imperialism to them, whereas the children, the deceived old men and women are starving from lack of food.

'Abdol Qadir said that the Harakat band forced the deceived Afghans to receive military training, and then armed them and sent them to Afghanistan for the commissioning of subversive activities. Repenting, his and his group's pledged that they would take an active part in crushing the counter-revolutionary bandits. [Sentence as received]

### Gandhi, Leaders Issue Hiroshima Day Statement

*BK060904 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[Text] The prime minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, and five other world leaders have called for redoubling international efforts to achieve nuclear disarmament. In a joint message on Hiroshima Day today, they said every nation has a right to be involved in ending the nuclear threat. The death and sufferings caused by the dropping of the first atom bomb 40 years ago is a foretaste of what lies ahead if the arms race is allowed to continue. The message was delivered to the mayor of Hiroshima, Mr Takeshi Araki.

Besides Mr Gandhi, the other signatories are President Raul Alfonsin of Argentina; President Miguel de la Madrid of Mexico; President Nyerere of Tanzania; the Swedish prime minister, Mr Olof Palme; and the prime minister of Greece, Mr Andreas Papandreou.

### 11 Pounds of Uranium Found in Raid on Smugglers

*HK060602 Hong Kong AFP in English 0522 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[Text] New Delhi, Aug 6 (AFP) — Authorities in eastern India recovered at least five kilograms (11 pounds) of uranium and arrested a man in a raid over the weekend on a smuggling den, the PRESS TRUST OF INDIA (PTI) said today.

PTI said police and customs agents recovered the uranium which was worth five million rupees (416,666 dollars) on the local market, in the town of Barauni in Bihar State. Further details on the seizure and arrest were not immediately available.

Bihar, ruled by Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (I) Party, has a long international border with Nepal which is unmanned at many points, area experts said.

India has large uranium deposits and mining efforts are under way. The state-owned Uranium Corporation of India (UCI) is engaged in exploration work in uranium-rich Bihar and Madhya Pradesh States, officials said. Last month, police in Bihar reportedly arrested two men who were allegedly trying to smuggle an unspecified quantity of uranium to Nepal.

### AFP: French National Held on Spying Charges

*NC051900 Paris AFP in English 1841 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Madras, India, Aug 5 (AFP) — A French national has been arrested on suspicion of spying after being found in a prohibited area of an Indian atomic power station, police said here today.

The man, identified as Bernard Sardrai, was arrested Saturday on suspicion that he was engaged in intelligence gathering near the Kalpakkam atomic power station near Mahabalipur, 60 kilometers (37 miles) from here, police said. He appeared in court the same day, and was remanded in custody for 15 days, they added.

Central industrial security personnel said they found Mr. Sardrai behaving in a suspicious manner in the prohibited area surrounding the atomic power station, which is adjacent to India's fast breeder reactor research centre.

He has admitted to being a French national, but refused to give any further information about himself or what he was doing near an atomic power station, police said. Intelligence officers suspect that Mr. Sardrai was a spy trying to gather information about the Kalpakkam atomic power station, established with indigenous technology, and the progress India was making with its fast breeder reactor.

### Sri Lankan Fishing Boats Violate Waters, Released

*BK051458 Delhi ISI Diplomatic Information Service in English 1446 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] On the afternoon of Saturday the 3d of August three Sri Lankan fishing vessels intruded into our maritime zones and were intercepted by naval and Coast Guard units which escorted them to Mandappam.

Enquiries established that the fishing vessels had crossed over inadvertently. In keeping with close and friendly relations between India and Sri Lanka and to minimise hardship to the fishermen, the Government of India decided immediately to release the fishermen and their vessels. This order was issued on Saturday evening and the vessels were immediately released.

### Delhi Confirms Bhandari To Visit Colombo 8 Aug

*BK051627 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] The foreign secretary, Mr Romesh Bhandari, will be in Colombo on Thursday for talks with President Jayewardene regarding arrangements and proposals for the next round of talks at Thimpu. The talks are scheduled to be resumed on the 12th of this month.

At the first round held last month, representatives of the Sri Lanka Government and Tamil groups discussed various issues relating to the ethnic problem.

Mr Bhandari is visiting Sri Lanka as the prime minister's special envoy at the invitation of President Jayewardene.

### Special Envoy Submits Report on Talks With Ershad

*BK051623 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Mr P. Shiv Shankar, who had gone to Dhaka as the prime minister's special envoy, today submitted his report to Mr Rajiv Gandhi on his talks with the Bangladesh president, Lieutenant General Ershad. The talks related to important bilateral issues.

The External Affairs Ministry spokesman said in New Delhi that Mr Shiv Shankar's discussions with Lieutenant General Ershad were held in a constructive spirit and were most useful.

## Afghan Foreign Minister Arrives for Talks

*BK060313 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 6 Jul 85*

[Text] A meeting of the Indo-Afghan Joint Commission begins in New Delhi this morning. The Indian delegation will be led by the minister of state for external affairs, Mr Khurshid Alam Khan. The Afghanistan foreign minister, Mr Shah Muhammad Dost, who arrived in the capital last evening, will head his country's delegation to the talks.

Mr Dost told newsmen on his arrival that the joint commission will consider new avenues of economic and technical cooperation. He expressed the hope that his visit will help further strengthen the existing bilateral relations. The All India Radio correspondent understands that a cultural exchange program between India and Afghanistan will be signed during Mr Dost's visit.

## Talks on 'Illegal' Immigrants in Assam To Begin

*HK051522 Hong Kong AFP in English 1356 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] New Delhi, Aug 5 (AFP) — The government was today to start fresh talks with groups from Assam State protesting an alleged influx of illegal immigrants as both sides reportedly voiced optimism on the outcome.

A delegation from the All Assam Students Union (AASU) and the Assam People's Action Council, the two co-sponsors of a six-year-old protest in the northeastern state, arrived here this morning for the discussions. The protestors have said that an estimated five million illegal immigrants from Bangladesh and Nepal have settled in Assam and demanded their detention or deportation.

Interior Ministry Secretary R.D. Pradhan had preparatory talks with the protestors last week in neighbouring Meghalaya. Both sides reportedly said they were optimistic on the talks starting here today.

AASU President Prafulla Mahanta and General Secretary Bhrigu Phukan were quoted by *THE INDIAN EXPRESS* newspaper as saying: "We hope everything will be settled in the coming talks (in Delhi) at the political level." Mr. Pradhan reportedly commented that "considerable progress has been made." *THE EXPRESS* said that "a solution to the protracted foreigners issue, in all likelihood, would be found by the independence day."

A source close to the protestors told AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE yesterday in Gauhati, before the team left for Delhi, that in the talks with Mr. Pradhan, the two sides had sorted out all contentious points except the future of the present state administration. The protestors have rejected the administration, controlled by Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's Congress Party, as "illegitimate." They argue that the polls which brought it to office in 1983 were not conducted properly since a large number of voters had heeded a boycott call.

Other main issues were the definition of which immigrants were to be considered foreigners and the question of shifting such people away from Assam.

## Delhi Reports U.S. To Deliver More F-16's Next May

*BK051403 Delhi General Overseas Service in English 1330 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] The United States is to supply more F-16 fighter aircraft and other sophisticated weapons to Pakistan. The Pakistan daily *WATAN* in a report from Washington said that Islamabad will receive additional undisclosed number of F-16's. The delivery of the aircraft and other weapons is to commence in May next.

According to the daily, the Pakistan foreign minister, Mr Yaqub Khan, discussed this with the U.S. authorities recently.

## Islamic Foreign Ministers To Meet on Afghanistan

*BK051555 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 1500 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] The next Islamic foreign ministers conference will be held in New York before the next UN General Assembly session and will consider the Afghanistan problem at length. This was stated by the secretary general of the Organization of Islamic Conference [OIC], Syed Sharifuddin Pirzada, while talking to newsmen at the Islamabad airport on arrival from Karachi.

He added that the current chairman of the OIC, King Hassan, has expressed his desire for the conference to review the Afghanistan problem in detail. Mr Pirzada said the Islamic states should pay full attention to this problem because foreign troops have been present there for many years. He said Afghanistan's independent and nonaligned status should be restored and the Afghan refugees should be allowed to return to their country.

The OIC secretary general said he will exchange views on this problem with President Mohammad Ziaul Haq, Prime Minister Mohammad Khan Junejo, and Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan. He said the manner in which the foreign minister is fulfilling his responsibility regarding the indirect talks in Geneva on the Afghanistan problem is commendable. He said he will also hold talks on arrangements for a meeting of the OIC's committee on education, culture and science. The meeting is scheduled for 3 September.

## BANGLADESH

### Bomb Blast in Court Follows Sentencing of 13

*HK051546 Hong Kong AFP in English 1535 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Dhaka, Aug 5 (AFP) — A series of bombs went off in a Dhaka court today, injuring at least 12 people, after the court sentenced 13 people to life imprisonment for murdering a political leader, eyewitness reports said. At least one person was seriously injured in the blasts after 13 people were sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder in September of Awami League leader and former member of Parliament Moizuddin Ahmed.

Clashes broke out between supporters and opponents of the Awami League after the verdict was announced, eyewitnesses said. It was not known who had planted the bombs, they added.

### Ershad Appoints Communications Minister 5 August

*BK051527 Dhaka Domestic Service in Bengali 1430 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] President Ershad has today appointed Moudud Ahmed, who is a top ranking leader of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party and a former deputy prime minister, as a minister. With his appointment, the number of members in the Council of Ministers has gone up to 35.

The president administered the oath of office to Ahmed at a simple ceremony in Banga Bhavan this afternoon. The two deputy chief martial law administrators — Rear Admiral Sultan Ahmed and Air Vice Marshal Sultan Mahmud — cabinet members and high ranking military and civil officials took part in the ceremony.

Moudud Ahmed was given charge of the Ministry of Communications, which includes the railroad division and the Department of Roads and Road Transport.

## SRI LANKA

### Security Minister Issues Warning to Tamils

*HK061000 Hong Kong AFP in English 0908 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[By Jean-Francois Leven]

[Text] Colombo, Aug 6 (AFP) — The Sri Lankan Government and Tamil representatives are preparing to resume peace talks in Bhutan, but there is little optimism from either side on their chance of success. National Security Minister Lalith Athulathmudali told AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE today: "We are ready to accept a greater devolution of powers within our united constitution." But he warned that if the Tamils rejected the government's proposals again at next week's talks, no new propositions would be offered.

A first round of talks last month brought no tangible progress between the government on one side and Tamils pressing for a separate state in the north and east of the country on the other.

Neelan Tiruchelvam, spokesman of the Tamil United Liberation Front (TULF), the largest Tamil political party, told AFP that the government's proposals had not taken into account any of the four basic principles laid down by the Tamils. These were: recognition of the Tamil identity, respect for the integrity of the Tamils' traditional homelands, the right of self-determination, and respect for Tamil civil rights.

The atmosphere as the talks resume in the Himalayan kingdom's capital Thimpu on Monday seems set to be further strained as the two sides accuse each other of violating a June 18 ceasefire which paved the way for the peace talks. Mr Athulathmudali charged Tamil separatist groups with 300 violations since mid-July, and blamed them for 37 killings and 17 abductions, including civilians, women and clerics.

The government called a meeting yesterday of the Security Council to assess the situation in the north of the island, the centre of separatist activity, and Mr Athulathmudali said today that further separatist attacks were expected on the eve of the talks' resumption. The TULF spokesman meanwhile accused Sri Lankan forces of being responsible for "several" incidents which gave the Tamil negotiators in Thimpu cause for suspicion about the government's promises. Some 2,000 people have died in the past decade in the course of a militant campaign by Tamils for an independent "Eelam" or homeland. Mr Tiruchelvam also said that as far as he was aware, the government had not yet released 643 Tamil militants it was holding in prison, as it had promised to do during last month's talks.

Informed Tamil sources here said that the six Tamil groups taking part in the Thimpu talks were to meet today in the southern Indian city of Madras to review the results of the first round of negotiations and map out their policy for the fresh session.

Indian Foreign Secretary Romesh Bhandari is due here Thursday for talks with President Junius Jayewardene and other Sri Lankan leaders, informed sources said here yesterday. India was behind the resumption of official contact between Colombo and the Tamils, pressuring the Tamils to take part in the Thimpu negotiations. Observers here said Mr Bhandari's visit was prompted by the poor outlook for the fresh round of talks, and said the Indian official would likely encourage Sri Lankan authorities to move closer to satisfying the Tamil demands in the propositions they lay on the table next week.

### Tehran Reports Attempted Hijacking 5 Aug

*LD051051 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] The Islamic Revolution Guards Corps announced that at 1130 this morning two agents of world arrogance tried to hijack an Islamic Republic plane, but that one of them was killed and the other was arrested. The report adds that the hijackers intended to hijack the plane flying from Tehran to Bandar 'Abbas over Bandar 'Abbas. However, owing to the alertness of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps security agents, one of them was killed and the other was arrested. The plane then landed at Bandar 'Abbas safely.

#### Further Details

*LD051116 Tehran IRNA in English 1109 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Tehran, Aug. 5, IRNA — An attempt to hijack an Iran Air jet which was flying from Tehran to the Persian Gulf port city of Bandar 'Abbas was foiled Monday morning, it was announced Monday [5 August]. The two hijackers' attempt to comandeer the passenger airliner was nipped in the bud by the in-flight security guards who shot dead one hijacker and arrested the other. The plan landed safely at Bandar 'Abbas airport.

The in-flight security guards are members of the Islamic Revolution's Guards Corps (IRGC) who have undergone special training to deal with potential hijackers. The formation of the in-flight security guards unit followed a spate of hijacking of Iranian passenger jetliners. With the introduction of this idea, there has not been any successful hijacking of Iran Air planes up to now.

### Khomeyni Receives Martyrs' Families 5 Aug

*GF051950 Tehran Television Service in Persian 1900 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Families of martyrs, those missing in action, and prisoners of the imposed war from Eslamabad-e Gharb in Bakhtaran Province; and a group of families of martyrs of the reconstruction crusade from various provinces of the country, as well as a number of members of the Islamic Society of the Communications Company met Imam Khomeyni in Hoseyniyeh Jamaran today.

During the meeting Mr 'Abdollah Nuri, the imam's representative to the reconstruction crusade, delivered a brief speech in which he noted the role of reconstruction crusade personnel in the material and moral reconstruction of villages and their active presence at the fronts. He said: The members of the crusade have been the forerunners in defending the goals of the Islamic Revolution in all areas. The families of the crusade's martyrs who are in the presence of the imam of ummah today are prepared to reaffirm their bond to their leader and announce that as long as blood runs in their veins they will be active in the defense of the goals of the Islamic revolution. He also conveyed the praise and gratitude of his holiness the imam to the respected families of the martyrs.

#### Receives 2 Ayatollahs

*LD051407 Tehran IRNA in English 1340 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Excerpt] Tehran, Aug. 5, IRN — Imam Khomeyni, leader of the revolution and founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran Monday [5 August] received Ayatollah Lotfollah Safi, a member of the Council of Guardians as well as Ayatollah B. Ayatollahi.

### Hashemi-Rafsanjani Mentions 2 Aug Demonstration

*LD061452 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Summary] On 4 August Majlis Speaker Hashemi-Rafsanjani met some young members of the Khuzestan al-Quds Army. During the meeting the Majlis speaker referred to the determination of the country's young men and their high morale.

Hashemi-Rafsanjani alluded to the alienation of the former regime. Citing the propaganda launched by media and the small counterrevolutionary groups in staging the infamous march of 11 Mordad [2 August], Hashemi-Rafsanjani said: "Despite all the uproar they created they did not dare display the slightest move for they were afraid of the Hezbollahis." Hashemi-Rafsanjani then reiterated the devotion of the Iranian people to Islam and the revolution.

### Montazeri Stresses Need for MP's Scrutiny of Majlis

*LD060928 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0330 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[Text] Our correspondent reports that yesterday nearly 40 MP's from various parts of the country were received by Grand Ayatollah Montazeri. After Hashemiyan, the deputy for Rafsanjani, raised different state issues, Grand Ayatollah Montazeri expressed his appreciation for their sense of responsibility concerning the country's and government's future problems and said: What the people expect from the Majlis is more decisiveness and dynamism toward important national issues and the revolution. Consequently, rather than raising unimportant bills, the Majlis' time must be devoted to dealing with essential bills to contribute positively to economic, agricultural, and industrial issues. Furthermore, the Majlis must not remain indifferent to national events and issues.

He then said: Any event which is concerned with the future of the revolution and the country must be dealt with in a manner whereby the mAjlis would state its case categorically and courageously, but, at the same time, with coolness and respect for individual prestige, thus raising relevant issues. Similarly, the Majlis must adopt legal decisions when it comes to important situations.

That certain institutions must not be undermined is the correct policy. Nevertheless, one must bear in mind that strengthening the government or any other organ does not mean that Majlis should avoid raising relevant matters, as the Majlis is a significant organ of the country and is legally bound to supervise all the country's affairs and keep an eye on ways of implementing its legislation.

If the weaknesses and ways of overcoming them are not studied, then it is possible for an organ, considering its violations and inherent weaknesses, to become totally corrupt and then disappear, thus betraying the people's confidence. In such circumstances the revolution and the whole system would suffer. Therefore, it is your legal and religious duty to have the courage and decisiveness to point out any fault or weakness you may find in any organ, any responsible official, be it the government or the president of [passage indistinct] or me, a simple theological student in Qom. He then pointed out: It is customary throughout the world for important and fundamental national issues, such as those related to the government, the president, and other important organs, to be scrutinized and decided upon.

On parliaments, Grand Ayatollah Montazeri then referred to the character of Martyr Moddares [a theologian who was an MP during the reign of the shah's father] saying: His great strength was that he always expressed his opinion, even under those dictatorial and repressive conditions. However, today, when -- thanks to God -- the country belongs to the people, when there is no repression or pressure, the people's deputies must discuss any issue they feel is in the interest of the country, the revolution and the system, as stipulated in the Constitution; not only that, they must seriously follow-up the issue. However, if they feel that it is inadvisable to make the issue public, then they must express it in the closed Majlis session. But, just the same, they must pursue the matter to its conclusion.

## Majlis Approves Sale, Free Oil Delivery to Syria

*LD061116 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[Text] At the open session of the Majlis this morning the second reading of the country's foreign exchange budget bill for the year ending 20 March 1986 was approved. Under the bill's single-clause provisions, the government is authorized to provide foreign exchange subsidies up to $15 billion in the year ending 20 March 1986 from the country's foreign exchange earnings in the same year, in accordance with the attached schedules and the provisions of this law, the country's monetary and banking law and other relevant laws.

The session also approved a bill concerning the sale and free delivery of oil to Syria. The single-clause bill says: The Ministry of Oil is authorized, from the date of the approval of this law and for a period of 1 year, to deliver 1 million tons [as heard] of Iranian light crude free of charge to the Syrian Government and to sell to that government up to 5 million tons of Iranian light crude at a discount of $2.5 a barrel in accordance with the Oil Ministry regulations.

Under a note atttached to the bill, the amount outstanding from the special account covering last year's agreement must be repaid no later than 2 October 1985.

The open session of the Majlis also debated the double urgency motion involving the bill extending the deadline in the note of Article 4 of the law on implementing Principle 49 of the Constitution. The motion was passed.

## 2 Iranians Killed in Lebanon Buried in Tehran

*LD051226 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Excerpt] Our correspondent reports that the pure bodies of two Islamic combatants, Hoseyn Gholami and Qasem Larian, were carried from Imam Khomeyni Mosque in Tehran to their burial place. The two combatants were martyred in Lebanon, fighting against the Zionist enemy.

## Palestinian Delegation Visits Tehran Cemetery

*LD051845 Tehran IRNA in English 1833 GMT 5 Jul 85*

[Text] Tehran, Aug 5, IRNA — The visiting Palestinian leaders of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Colonel Abu Musa and Ahmad Jibril along with other members of the high ranking delegation, paid a visit Monday evening to Behesht-e Zahra cemetery in south of Tehran. At the cemetery, the visitors paid tribute to the martyrs of June 28, 1981 (Islamic Republic Party bombing victims) as well as other martyrs of the Iraqi imposed war.

### Meets With Velayati

*LD052252 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2030 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] According to the Central News Unit, a Palestinian delegation, led by Mr Abu Musa which has come to Tehran, today met and conferred with Mr Velayati, the minister of foreign affairs. At this meeting political developments of the region and the compromising moves by Arab reactionaries to divert the Palestinian objectives and the session of the reactionary Arab leaders in Morocco were discussed, as was the war imposed by Iraq on Iran.

Mr Velayati emphasized the solidarity of the Islamic Revolution of Iran and the Palestinian revolution and said: The Islamic Republic of Iran considers the Palestinian issue to be a strategic one and this stance originated many years ago at the begininng of Iran's Islamic movement led by Imam Khomeyni. The Islamic Republic of Iran considers itself dutybound to defend the revolution, aims and struggles of the Muslim people of Palestine against the regime occupying Jerusalem and its allies with all its might.

Mr Abu Musa stressed the ties between the Islamic Revolution of Iran and Palestine and said that Iran is the heart of the Islamic ummah in the region and the arena for the Palestinian revolution. He said at present the Middle East region is threatened with aggressions by Zionists, imperialists and reactionaries. Just as the Palestinian revolution is being threatened, so is the Islamic Revolution of Iran, because the United States and reactionary enemies do not want the region to be free and independent. One of the objectives of the aggression by the Zionist regime against Lebanon was to make the region agree to a compromise.

He added: We are aware of the reasons behind Saddam's aggression against the Islamic Republic of Iran: He wants to destroy Iran's strength and to engage the revolutionary and powerful

forces of Iran, and to stop the Islamic Republic of Iran from playing its role against the Zionist enemy.

It was also reported, that Ahmad Jibril, another member of the high-ranking Palestinian delegation, at this meeting referred to the imposed war and said: The Iraqi regime was forced to try and stop Iran's Islamic Revolution and we consider this war an imperialist and reactionary plot enacted by Saddam against Iran. He added: The day Saddam is toppled there will be an important strategic upheaval in the region and hundreds of thousands of Iranian Muslims will take positions behind the gates of Palestine. As Palestinians we have our eyes on you to see when you will bring us this victory. I can say without reservations that many of the members of the Palestinian movement are willing to fight along side you against the satan of Iraq, a satan who has put aside all signs of progress and support for the Palestinian objectives and has shown his real face in Camp David.

Then Mr Abu Musa, the leader of the Palestinian delegation once again in a speech referred to the coming Arab summit session and said: During the next few days the subservient leaders of the region will get together in order to ruin the Palestinian dream and to confirm the United States' domination in the region. They are trying to support the efforts of the King of Jordan which aim at taking the Palestinians to the lap of the United States and Israel and to try to create the necessary cover for the recent Palestine-Jordan agreements and to push ahead compromising plans.

It was also reported that at this same meeting, another member of the delegation gave a report on the present situation of the Palestinian revolution and recent developments in Lebanon and thanked the Islamic Republic of Iran for inviting the Palestinian delegation under the present circumstances. He stressed the need for creating a strong movement which would voice revolutionary viewpoints in order to oppose the line of compromise put forward by the progressive axis in the region, that is, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Syria, Libya and Palestinians. [Sentence as heard]

He finally condemned the Arab summit conference in Morocco and said: We have rejected the holding of this session and its outcome in a note. We hold the reactionary Arab leaders responsible for the outcome of this session.

### 249 More Iranians, 3 Bahrainis Expelled From Kuwait

*LD051404 Tehran IRNA in English 1330 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Bushehr, Bushehr Prov., Aug 5, IRNA — Another 249 Iranian workers were expelled from Kuwait on orders of the Kuwaiti Government over the past several days, the Public Relations Office of Bushehr Province's governor announced Monday. The workers, who arrived at the Iranian ports of Bushehr and Ganaveh, had been arrested by Kuwait's security forces either at their homes or places of their work.

The governor's office also announced that three Bahraini citizens expelled from the emirate are presently staying at a special camp set up in Bushehr Province for Iranian deportees coming from Kuwait. During the past Iranian month which ended July 22, a total of 768 Iranians were deported from Kuwait.

### Iraqis Arrested in Bahrain; Planned Riyadh Bombings

*GF051437 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1330 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[From the program "Voice of the Islamic Revolution in Iraq"]

[Text] Thirteen agents of the Iraqi Ba'thist regime arrested in Bahrain about 3 weeks ago have admitted, under questioning at the Bahrain security directorate, that they were operating as part of a Ba'thist sabotage network plotting to set bombs in Manama. This was reported by publications in Cyprus. The publications stated that the agents were involved in planning and setting off the explosions in Riyadh during the visit by Saudi Foreign Minister Sa'ud al-Faysal to Iran, to protest the visit.

### Tehran Reports Bahrain Expels Iraqi Ambassador

*LD052317 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2030 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] According to an IRNA report, following the discovery of an Iraqi Zionist espionage and subversion network in Bahrain, the ambassador of the Baghdad regime has been expelled from Manama. The report says that the Bahrain Government had already issued the order for the expulsion of the Baghdad regime's ambassador from Bahrain, but it had refrained from officially and openly announcing it. Eventually it was announced by Manama radio today on the pretext that the ambassador had left Bahrain at the end of his tour of duty.

It should be noted that in connection with the discovery of an espionage and subversion network of the Iraqi regime in Manama, some 17 boxes of arms and ammunition were discovered at the Iraqi regime's embassy in Manama, and 13 principal agents associated with the plot were arrested.

### IRNA on Arab Summit, Failure of U.S. Mideast Goals

*LD051413 Tehran IRNA in English 1310 GMT 5 Aug 85*

["The Arab Summit Conference — An IRNA Commentary" — IRNA headline]

[Text] Tehran, Aug. 5, IRNA — The thirteenth Arab summit conference will start in the Moroccan city of Dar Beida (Casablanca) Wednesday. The meet which is being held after two months of efforts by King Hassan and the support of some reactionary Arab leaders, has caused the highest degree of protest in the Arab world in the 21 year history of these Arab summits.

The opposition of progressive Arab countries and a large part of Palestinian groups together with other Muslim Arab masses to this summit conference is in fact a protest against all compromising measures and also against those involved in such treason.

The main goal of King Hassan and other subservients of the United States in the region in holding this conference is in fact legitimizing compromising measures and ultimately opening a second front for the Camp David accord.

King Hassan has played his role as the peddler of America and Zionism in the region very well by helping the realization of their goals. The formation of the 1982 Fes conference in which the Zionist regime was granted official recognition as well as the meeting of the World Zionist Congress in Morocco, and the efforts he has made for the 13th summit altogether show King Hassan's role and his identical views with Zionism.

The extraordinary summit is a new effort by King Hassan and the Jordanian and Egyptian leadership plus some other regimes in order to veil the U.S. and Zionist plots in the region. The issue of Palestine which is brought forth as one of the major issues of the conference is in fact an effort to make others accept the results of talks between King Husayn and 'Arafat and the agreements they achieved. These talks were based on ways to form a Jordanian-Palestinian confederation. This was suggested in the Camp David accord as recognising the autonomy of the Palestinians by the Zionist regime in the West Bank of the Jordan River and the Gaza Strip.

The recognition of the Zionist regime was mentioned as the main condition for establishing an autonomous Palestinian state in the Camp David accord. This was also included in the resolutions of the conference and the agreements between King Husayn and 'Arafat last February.

The legalisation of the results of talks between King Husayn and 'Arafat at the summit despite the opposition and non-participation of some Arab countries and a major group of Palestinians seems impossible and one can be hopeful about the failure of the summit in materialising U.S. goals in the region.

The Palestinian Salvation Front has officially boycotted the summit and Syria has warned the meeting organisers if they insist on the implementation of their treacherous acts, they should expect the just reward for their acts and will have to pay a heavy price for it. The Syrian Government has also warned it has all facilities needed to punish those betraying the Palestinian ideal.

The Algerian Government has also announced that it considers the holding of this conference at present time an act which will sow seeds of discord in the Arab word and has described it unable to serve the Arab world.

In a strongly-worded statement, Libya announced its opposition to the summit, urging for the ostracisation of those countries which try to re-establish their relations with Egypt such as Jordan and Iraq.

Fifteen Arab countries have announced their readiness for taking part in the summit, the lowest number of participants in the summit meet compared with the preceding twelve meets. The Arab Summit conferences can function officially when at lease 11 of the 21 members are present.

The holding of this conference, in any way, is nothing but the continuation of the Camp David procedure and its decisions and whatever the results would be, they are destined to be condemned by the Arab and Muslim nations.

One of the most important Arab summit meets was held in Khartoum in 1967 in which, the recognition of and negotiation with the Zionist regime was rejected and dismissed forever. Fifteen years later, in a similar conference in Fes, the recognition of and negotiation with the Zionist regime was accepted as a major solution.

**Foreign Ministry Statement**

*LD052313 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2030 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] The Central News Unit reports that the Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran has issued a statement regarding the developments in the Middle East and the efforts that are being made to convene an Arab summit conference in Casablanca, Morocco, in order to note a number of points for the information of the Muslim nations in the region.

The statement begins by saying: Unfortunately, the reactionary Arab states -- instead of shouldering their crucial responsibilities to defend the sacred Palestinian ideal, the anti-imperialist and anti-Zionist struggles of the region's Muslim nations, and the mobilization of all the resources and powers of the Arab and Islamic countries to continue these vital struggles -- have always demonstrated their traitorous function in terms of preparing the ground for compromise and defeatism toward plots by the arrogant powers, and have exerted efforts to strengthen the hegemonistic policy of the Zionist regime and its Western allies, led by U.S. imperialism.

In this connection the Moroccan shah has recently announced the holding of an extraordinary session of Arab leaders in his country and in so doing he has tried to prove his pioneering role in performing this defeatist function. The statement further says: Since the Islamic Republic has never lost sight of the crucial developments taking place in the Middle East and the traitorous plots that are being hatched to extend the influence of Zionism in the Arab and Islamic countries, it regards the holding of sessions of this nature and participation in any session of that ilk as a flagrant betrayal of the sacred Palestinian ideal. The Islamic Republic declares that the Palestinian ideal and that of the first kiblah of Muslims, the noble Jerusalem, have never been a legacy of the reactionary Arab states, and it will never be so. The Islamic Republic of Iran and the Muslim and freedom-loving countries in the region, led by the Muslim Palestinian nation, will never allow that ideal to become a subject for compromise and defeatism.

The statement continues: Unfortunately, this move and compromising action is taking place at a time when, on the one hand, reactionary Arab countries, led by the Iraqi regime, are stepping up efforts to bring Egypt back to the Arab fold and to further spread the defeatist Camp David stipulations and restrictions; and, on the other hand, America, by carrying out the "Bright Star" exercises with the help of its agents in the region, has started a huge political and military onslaught against the region, an onslaught aimed at intimidating the Muslim nations and the region's progressive countries, and at paving the way for a suitable climate of terror and defeatism in the Arab Middle East.

The Foreign Ministry statement adds: The Islamic Republic of Iran declares that the object of that session is simply to sanction the traitorous efforts by King Husayn of Jordan to join in the so-called peace negotiations with the Zionist regime and America, to force the Palestinians to surrender and ultimately, to extend Camp David; to bring back an Egypt committed to Camp David to the Arab fold; and to breathe fresh life into the decaying edifice of the Saddam regime in Iraq.

As the Al-Sadat experience has proved, this time also it will become abundantly clear that the Muslim and freedom-loving countries and the revolutionary and progressive states in the region will drive this plot to defeat.

In conclusion, the statement points out that the Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran, while calling upon Muslim countries to wage an all-round struggle against these compromising provocations, demands that Arab and Islamic countries should support the struggle of the Muslim peoples in the region and mobilize all their resources toward the success of that struggle, because the epic struggle and resistance of the Muslim Lebanese nation in its confrontation with the Zionist regime has proved that the language that the Zionist regime understands is that of force and nothing else.

### 'Bright Star' Manuevers Will Not Help Region

*GF050852 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0400 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[From the "Pause With the Events" program]

[Excerpt] The U.S.-Egyptian joint maneuvers that began in Egypt will ultimately instigate further popular rage and consequently cause the destruction of the illegitimate U.S. interests in the region.

The United States and its allies may not believe this today; they may find it hard to believe. Do they have to compare the events that took place in the past 3 years and the events taking place now to discover whether U.S. interests were in more jeopardy in the past than at present?

The path being followed by the United States is daily becoming more difficult. The United States once dispatched 7,000 troops; another time it dispatched 1,400 troops [in previous maneuvers]. It now dispatches 9,000 troops to the region. How many troops will be dispatched tomorrow? This figure only represents the number of troops. The quantity of weapons and the military equipment being dispatched to the region is enormous.

From this premise, we realize that supplying the reactionary regimes with weapons and reinforcing their capabilities will have no effect in alleviating the intensity of the crisis in the Middle East and other parts of the world.

This is regarded as a useful experience for the ambitious rulers of the United States and the agent and reactionary regimes of the region by raising their standards of military science. But these maneuvers will not intimidate the free peoples that rose for the sake of Islam.

### Officials Urge Nation To Vote in Elections

*LD051924 Tehran IRNA in English 1837 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Tehran, Aug. 5, IRNA — In separate messages to the nation here today, Iran's chief public prosecutor Hojjat ol-Eslam Musavi-Kho'iniha, and Chief Justice Musavi-Ardabili called on the people to cast their votes at the upcoming presidential elections on August 16th, if they wanted to protect the Islamic government and "support the responsible government officials in the face of 'threats' against the Islamic Republic." Chief Justice Musavi-Ardabili said that voting is a religious, political and social duty of each and every citizen, and a gesture capable of dismaying the superpowers. He said even though a small minority of the people might be reluctant to vote at the elections, but they should remember that their absence at the polling boxes would not "smear the world visage of the Islamic Republic" because the overwhelming majority of the masses had already on April 1, 1979 voted for the establishment of the Islamic Republic.

Chief Public Prosecutor Musavi-Kho'iniha said in his message to the nation today that a massive turn-out at the elections would mean "the unmitigated support of the people for the Islamic system of government in Iran in its confrontation with the incursions of the West and East as well as their support for the highest executive power in fighting the encroachments of the oppressor world powers against the Islamic Revolution".

### Supreme Judicial Council Establishes 6 Commissions

*LD031612 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 3 Aug 85*

[Text] Today's session of the Supreme Judicial Council was held in order to codify the laws, supervise the proper implementation of law, research methods for crime prevention, and also to carry out various tasks related to administration, organization and employment. The establishment of six commissions was ratified. These commissions are as follows: 1) Commission for Supervising the Proper Implementation of Law; 2) Commission for Research and Law Formulation; 3) Commission for Training and Planning; 4) Commission for Executive Affairs and Administration; 5) Commission for Employment and Judges; 6) Commission for Crime Prevention Methodology.

At this meeting the Supreme Judicial Council empowered the justice minister to coordinate the tasks of the above commissions. Furthermore, it was agreed to set up a unit for the purpose of encouraging manpower absorption under the supervision of the council. At the conclusion of today's session Moqtada'i was elected speaker of the Supreme Judicial Council during its second term.

### Tehran Reports on Kurdish Attacks in Iraq

*GF051600 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1330 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[From the program "Voice of the Islamic Revolution in Iraq"]

[Text] Muslim Kurdish fighters have launched an attack on the Ba'thist Mirgah Sur camp in northern Iraq. The attack resulted

in the destruction of several arms depots and personnel carriers, and almost 70 percent of the camp's buildings. Fire raged in the camp for several hours after the attack.

Following the heroic attack, helicopters of the Ba'thist regime directed heavy fire at Sargana, Diran, Masunah, Gawlanah, and other nearby villages. Many inhabitants of these unarmed villages were killed or wounded as a result.

The Kurdish hezbollah mujahidin planted a number of mines along the Sayyid Sadiq highway. Exploding mines led to the destruction of several Ba'thist military vehicles and the deaths of at least 10 Ba'thist henchmen.

Following the Kurdish mujahidin's wide-scale attacks, which purged seven Ba'thist military bases, the Kurdish Affairs Committee of the Supreme Assembly of the Islamic Revolution in Iraq issued a statement advising Iraqi military personnel to join the ranks of the mujahidin and to point their guns at the real enemies of the Iraqi people.

### IRNA: Kurds Attack Iraqi Column in East

*LD051749 Tehran IRNA in English 1740 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Bakhtaran, Bakhtaran Prov., August 5, IRNA — Iraqi Kurdish Muslim revolutionaries attacked an Iraqi military column in Sulaymaniyah (eastern Iraq) recently, killing 24 Iraqi troops and destroying three Army vehicles, one command jeep and one trailer-truck carrying ammunition. Informed sources told IRNA today that during the attack, the third one in recent days, the Muslim revolutionaries used RPG-7's, grenade propellers and other types of semi-heavy guns.

### 25 'Counterrevolutionaries' Killed; Arms Seized

*LD051706 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] The Hamizeh Seyyed al-Shohada, peace be upon him, base reports that the combatants of Islam in a confrontation with the counterrevolutionaries subservient to world oppression succeeded in surrounding the Aqdarreh heights near the town of Takab and killed a large number of elements subservient to the East and the West who had taken positions on these heights during the past few days.

In this confrontation the combatants of Islam succeeded in killing more than 25 of the leaders of the counterrevolutionaries including Kamal Heydari, official responsible for the organization of the defunct [Kurdish] Democrat Party in the (?Afshar) region; Hasan Ostadi, official responsible for the Shahrestan District; and Faraj Zarah, responsible for military operations of the counterrevolutionaries in this region.

A considerable quantity of arms and ammunition including several machineguns, RPG-7's, a number of side-arms and explosive material given to the counterrevolutionaries by the Ba'thist and Zionist regime of Iraq were seized together with interorganizational documents and papers belonging to the counterrevolutionaries.

### IRNA Report

*LD060542 Tehran IRNA in English 0529 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[Text] Urumiyeh, W. Azarbaijan Prov., Aug. 6, IRNA — More than 25 outlaws were killed and a considerable amount of arms and documents belonging to the counterrevolutionaries were seized by Islamic combatants during a series of harmonised operations carried out in Aqdarreh district of Takab, in West Azarbaijan recently.

According to the Hamizeh Seyyed al-Shohada headquarters, there were some ranking members of the outlawed KDP (Kurdestan Democratic Party) among those killed.

## Reportage on Combat Operations in War With Iraq

### Communique No 2,187

*LD051748 Tehran IRNA in English 1732 GMT 5 Aug 85*

[Text] Tehran, Aug 5, IRNA — Iran's Muslim combatants and Iraqi troops exchanged sporadic artillary fire across the war front Monday, said the Joint Staff Command in its communique 2187.

The command said that in the central front the exchanges led to the death and the wounding of ten Iraqi troops and destruction of one ammunition depot, two vehicles and five bunkers.

The confrontations of the northwestern front killed and wounded a group of enemy soldiers in the Seyyed Khan area where Muslim combatants had enemy transport movement under control, the command said.

Heaviest confrontations of the southern front were reported from Majnun Island, Kushk and Nahr-Anbar regions.

Iranian jet fighters and anti-air batteries thwarted all enemy attempts to air raid positions inside Iran, it was reported.

Iraqi artillery shelling of Abadan damaged six houses and five shops and caused damages in the neighboring city of Khorramshahr.

### UFO, Antiaircraft Fire in Tehran

*LD060534 Tehran IRNA in English 0525 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[Text] Tehran, Aug. 6, IRNA — An unidentified shining flying object moving from west to east was seen in northeast Tehran around 20:15 hours Monday and later sporadic anti-aircraft shootings were heard.

A source at the Joint Staff Command of the Armed Forces said Monday that there were no precise reports available in this connection. He added that the shining item was possibly and according to some reports a satellite. But, he said, Tehran's anti-aircraft unit, supposing that the object was an Iraqi airplane, opened fire on it.

### Nejat-e Iran on Arrest of Oil Ministry Official

*GF041809 (Clandestine) Radio Nejat-e Iran in Persian 1630 GMT 4 Aug 85*

[Text] According to a report by one of our correspondents in the capital, at 1530 yesterday, Hasan Kheradmand, the deputy oil minister of the Islamic regime, was arrested for taking $1.8 million in bribes from a Japanese company. According to this report, Mullah Reyshahri, the minister of espionage for the regime of Khomeyni, started a purge in the regime's Oil Ministry 3 months ago and fired some 300 employees.

We would like to note that Reyshahri has been having disagreements for sometime now with an armed group called the Mourners of Hoseyn, which is affiliated with the oil minister, Mohammad Gharazi. The report adds that in a classified letter, with the reference 422/BM, sent by Reyshahri to Oil Minister Gharazi 45 days ago, he was ordered to fire Kheradmand. Although Gharazi resisted, he was finally forced to put Kheradmand on temporary suspension. Reyshahri has managed to get documents concerning the misuse of power and corruption in the Oil Ministry through his agents there.

Agents of Khomeyni's Ministry of Information driving a privately-owned blue Peugeot arrested Hasan Kheradmand at his home on Africa Avenue yesterday afternoon and took him to the temporary prison of the Khomeyni regime's Ministry of Information.

According to another report from a reliable source, Hasan Kheradmand has been accused of receiving dozens of bribes exceeding hundreds of thousands of dollars from various Japanese companies for oil, gas, and petrochemical deals.

### Afghan 'Freedom Fighters' Kill Party Leader 11 Jul

*LD061327 Tehran IRNA in English 1322 GMT 6 Aug 85*

[Text] Tehran, Aug 6, IRNA — Afghan sources said that Afghan freedom fighters have conducted a surprise attack on the office of the government-controlled "Fatherland Front" in Tarin Kowt provincial headquarters of Oruzgan killing the provincial head of the Communist Party and capturing 16 officers.

A group of mujahidin, equipped with rocket launchers, attacked the office of "Fatherland Front" on the night of July 11, 1985, destroying an armoured car and two military jeeps.

The mujahidin seized 16 party officers who were trying to escape. They set the building on fire and moved back before any reinforcement could come from the government's army.